

Road to Sanity Is Pike's Pique

In response to the deep inner yearnings of the American people, a new leader has arisen. He is Congressman Otis G. Pike, a good-humored Democrat from Long Island. And in response to the deep inner yearnings of the American people, our new leader has organized a new hate group.

Mr. Pike calls his the "Militant Moderate Militia," or MMM. It will march moderately militantly forward under the ringing battle cry of "Hate Hate!"

Like all new leaders of hate groups, Mr. Pike had an overwhelming reason for organizing his. "I believe," he said modestly, "I've discovered a way to get very rich."

For as he ably pointed out in a press release, there are thousands of hate groups catering to the far right and far left, but none whatsoever for that "tremendous untapped resource"—the moderate middle-of-the-roader.

"The time is now!" Mr. Pike cried out in his moderately moving appeal to moderates everywhere. "Let us strike while the iron is lukewarm."

Skeptics will promptly say that all attempts to organize us middle-of-the-road extremists have failed miserably in the past. They will rightly point out that moderation is no virtue in the pursuit of dues paying members. Indeed, since time immemorial, moderation has been the curse of all moderates.

Even Mr. Pike, visionary though he may be, feels his MMM should wear only "moderate uniforms—red, white and blue smoking jackets and carpet slippers." This, in turn, suggests a vigorously moderate action program consisting of sit-ins in front of the television set, lie-ins in the bedroom, and marches (in fair weather) as far as the mailbox to post moderately angry letters to one's Congressman.

Thus, the skeptics would appear right. The MMM seems to suffer from the flaw inherent in all moderate groups—reasonableness. Who wants to join a group like that? It simple isn't any fun.

But what they overlook is the one crucial ingredient Mr. Pike has ingeniously added—that unifying bond, that soul-stirring force: hatred.

Hate is the key. Think of its appeal. How can any reasonable man resist joining his fellow moderates in hating the far left, the far right and all other hate groups? At last we can hate to our hearts' content. No longer need we feel envious of the emotional release enjoyed by the extremists. Now we, too, can relish the superiority, the righteousness, that hatred brings.

Shoulder to shoulder, we of the MMM will march forward, a snarl on our lips, a glower in our eye. For clearly, there is no force that so unites one man with another in human brotherhood than a mutual hatred of somebody else.

And so it was with high hopes that I rang up our new leader, Mr. Pike, to pledge him my life, my fortune and my sacred honor. And in addition to hating hatred, did he have other orders for us, his loyal troops? "Yes," said Mr. Pike with a kindly chuckle, "love love."

Love love? Bah, I quit. It'll never sell.

Local USC Alumni Plan Scholarship Dinner Event

South Bay alumni will tell of the forces at work on a university scientist who must teach, conduct research, obtain grants for research, make outside lectures, and keep up on progress in his field by other scientists.

Information about the dinner and reservations for it may be obtained by telephoning Naoma Valdes at FR 2-9325 or Dottie Busby at FR 9-1272, according to Dr. A. A. Valdes of 220 Vista Del Mar, Redondo Beach.

COUNT MARCO SAYS

Bridal White Passe, Try Green

The theory of white for bridal gowns is about as antique as corsets or iron girdles," said internationally known designer Mr. Blackwell when I talked to him on the telephone.

So true. There seems to be a misconception that white is the only acceptable color for that long walk down the aisle. Bridal white is beautiful, no question about it. But it is not always the right color. Consider your coloring and your personality when planning that big day.

The \$2,000 pastel green gown that Mr. Blackwell created as my gift to the San Francisco Chronicle Bridal Clinic, at which I am a featured speaker, will do more for the right girl than an entrance in white any day.

It is spectacular, original and dramatic, which is the impression every bride wishes to convey.

According to Mr. Blackwell, a bride today will look far lovelier in summer pastels, and certainly softer, because pastels offer more lib-

erty in dressing the wedding party in muted tones. No longer does the mother of the bride look dowdy and old, so why should the bride look old-fashioned?

The new generation is the thinking generation. You brides-to-be are younger in spirit and more progressive. Presumably you're going into marriage with more knowledge and a sharper awareness of your responsibilities.

Although tradition must be respected, and white is the traditional color of purity, there is no tradition that pastels are not as pure as white. White can be so antiseptic. Doctors, nurses and janitors wear white. Must we copy them?

On that day of days you must not fall into such a trap as to want to look like every other bride.

Dare to be different, dare to be modern, dare to be fashion-wise. A wedding gown should have sex appeal. Oh, nothing so drastic as cleavage and

peek-a-boo accouterments. But it can be dramatic and exciting. It can be created of dozens of other materials besides prom dance organdie or ballroom satins. Why not a velvet, a magnificent silk print or even a jewel of a sari cloth? Use your brains and your imagination.

Finally, the veil. Under that heavy horror how can anyone tell the difference between brides. Pity the poor groom who gets to the wrong church on time; he'll never know he's been switched until the veil is lifted.

Heavy veils, I say, are ideal if you're being married in the heart of the African jungle and wish to keep out mosquitoes. But not in church. Besides, why hide your face, which will never be lovelier than on your bridal day?

Use a coronet or high-fashion hair style, or have a designer create something specially ornamental. Remember this is the most important day in a lifetime of beauty. Make it impressive, make it dramatic, make it colorful.



VISITS HOSPITAL... Mrs. Boris S. Woolley, president of the Torrance Memorial Hospital board of directors, shows some of the disposable items now being used by the hospital to Mayor Albert Isen during open house Wednesday to note National Hospital Week.

Reforms Urged in State Inheritance Tax System

Major reforms of California's system of inheritance tax administration have been urged by State Controller Alan Cranston.

Cranston recommended that the controller's unchecked authority to hire and fire appraisers be abolished and proposed substantial cuts in the fees paid to inheritance tax appraisers.

The controller said he was acting "on my own recommendations, after six months of study by myself and my staff, because the legislation pending in the Assembly would create grief for all heirs, choke the probate courts with chaos, and result in bigger tax bills for all Californians."

"I CANNOT stand back any longer and watch a politically-inspired effort to wreck a basically sound, efficient, and economical system which provides protection and equity for widows, orphans, and creditors alike through the probate process," Cranston added.

TENTH YEAR Wayne Burke, 22905 Carlow Road, was presented a gold pin on the occasion of his 10th anniversary with Allstate Insurance Company. He is an agent in the sales office of the Torrance Sears store.

The state's present inheritance tax administration was established in 1911 and has undergone little change in the past 50 years, Cranston said.

The reform package, which Senator James A. Cobby will introduce in the State Senate, includes changes in the system of appointing appraisers which will require approval of the probate courts and the elimination of appraisers' fees on cash and bank account portions of estates. A limit of \$100 on fees for appraising listed stock would be established.

OTHER CHANGES call for the establishment of staggered four-year terms of office for appraisers and setting of qualifications for appraisers. Five years experience as an attorney, real estate broker or appraiser, or as a public accountant or trust officer would be required under the proposed changes.

Cranston said he has checked with probate judges before making appointments. The recommendations are "in line with previous improvements I have made in our system," Cranston said.

"The basic issue," he added, "of who has any political advantage in hiring the appraisers should be resolved—not by wrecking the entire system, but by further integration of the system with the courts."

A Penny for your Thoughts

By HAL FISHER Since most of the articles in the newspapers these days deal with heavy subjects this column will be devoted to a lighter subject—dieting. Many of our female readers are interested in becoming lighter subjects themselves, so I asked several ladies, who have obviously found the secret of staying trim:

"In your opinion what is the most effective diet method?"

Lorretta Sabo, 5266 Andrus Ave. "A high protein diet featuring grapefruit and cottage cheese can be very effective. Of course, it's wise to check with your doctor first."

Louise Hoover, 2233 Estrebo Dr., Rolling Hills;

"Don't swallow! But seriously, a diet with English muffins as the featured dish, plus meat, cheese and salads gets results in some cases."

Ruth Wilson, 5517 Laurette Ave.;

"Well, I'd recommend one good meal a day, preferably at noon, with grapefruit and hard-boiled eggs the rest of the meals. Naturally, one doesn't carry any diet to extremes."

Patricia Orsini, 1519 Beech Ave.;

"The best I've heard of is a diet of hard-boiled eggs, steak and vegetables. This diet should be adhered to for no more than 2 weeks at a time."

Adel Burchfield, 1415 Post Ave.;

"I've tried all sorts of diets resulting in just losing and gaining. The only effective way to lose weight is just to stop eating. By that I don't mean entirely, but to cut down your amount of intake and keep it down."

May Festival Exhibits Open in Afternoon

Art exhibits at the 17th annual May Festival of Arts, being held this weekend at Mira Costa High School in Manhattan Beach, will be open to the public from noon to 6 p.m. today.

Featured are works by students from Mira Cost High, Chadwick School in Rolling Hills, Redondo Union High School, and Bishop Montgomery High.

At 2:30 this afternoon, the South Bay - Torrance Symphony will appear in a concert - ballet performance. Works by Brahms, Beethoven, and Gounod will be performed by the orchestra under the baton of conductor Elyse Aehle.

The Valorie Silver Ballet Company will be seen in three ballets. A flute quartette will play for the first time a number by Rueben Salazar, a member of the South Bay - Torrance Symphony.

There is no charge for admission. Members of the symphony association will be seated in a reserved section.

Ann Landers Says Don't Relive Past With Your Daughter

Dear Ann Landers: My daughter is 17, and very beautiful. I'm not saying this just because I'm her mother. Others have said it. Penny has been going steady with a fine young fellow who wants to be a doctor. Kenneth is 18, extremely handsome, well-mannered, comes from a wonderful family and he's just the kind of person I would like Penny to marry. He is so much like a boy I had a crush on in high school it's almost as if I had turned the clock back 30 years.

This morning Penny told me she and Kenneth agreed to break up because they were getting too serious. When she noticed the tears I pretended to have something in my eye. I didn't want Penny to know how upset I was.

If Kenneth and Penny don't get back together I will be brokenhearted. She will never meet a boy as fine and attractive as Kenneth. It worries me that I am taking this so hard. Is it wrong to want the best for one's daughter? —LOWER THAN LOW

Dear Lower Than: This is more than "wanting the best" for your daughter. The past is revisiting you, Mother, and you are attempting to relive your girlhood days.

If you can't disassociate yourself from Penny's social life, I suggest that you get professional help.

Dear Ann Landers: I am a girl, 16, and don't know where else to go with this problem, so, like many others, I am turning to you. There are four kids in our family. I am the oldest. My brother is 15 and my sisters are twins, age 13. When Dad's business isn't

good (which is like most of the time) he yells at us kids and criticizes everything we do. It is hard to believe that he was ever young. To listen to him he never made a mistake in his whole life.

Please don't suggest that Mom talk to him for us. She can't even talk to him for herself. He yells at her, too. I think she is scared of him like we are. What can we do to keep our dad from ruining our childhood? — YELLED AT FOUR

Dear Yelled at Four: Your childhood is just behind you. It's time you started to think in terms of your adulthood—and part of adulthood is understanding.

You aren't going to change your dad's disposition, so try to figure out why he yells. Usually people who yell out at others are unhappy with themselves. Their nerves are not in very good shape and the least little thing corks them off.

Why don't you kids start tomorrow to be especially nice to your dad? I'll bet his disposition improves and that he yells less.

Dear Ann Landers: You have printed rules for gum-chewers, cigar smokers and drinkers. Now will you say something about characters who drop in, uninvited and unexpected?

Do you suppose it is a coincidence that the people I would like very much to see NEVER drop in on me. Only the bores. Please say something frank and to the point on this subject. —TRAPPED TOO OFTEN

Dear Trapped: I've said plenty on this subject—and I intend to say more be-

cause it is a recurring problem and a bothersome one to busy people.

It may surprise you to learn that not everybody feels as you and I do about dropper-inners. When I print a letter knocking the practice, dozens of folks write in to say they love unexpected company. It flatters them that someone thought to drop in. I say the pleasure is all theirs.

Too many starry-eyed lovers do not know the difference. Do you? Send for ANN LANDERS' booklet, "Before You Marry—Is It Love OR SEX?", enclosing with your request 20c in coin and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope. Ann Landers will be glad to help you with your problems. Send them to her in care of this newspaper enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope. C 1965, Publishers Newspaper Syndicate

Cuban Writer Will Address Republicans

The Harbor Republican Club will feature Jose Norman as speaker tomorrow at club headquarters, 1123 S. Pacific Ave., San Pedro, at 8 p.m.

Norman, composer, pianist, and columnist for the Havana, Cuba, Post and The Times of Havana, was awarded the American Legion Citation for Meritorious Service for his fight against communism.

The speaker and his family lived in Cuba for 11 years until they sought refuge in the United States at the end of 1960.

ASSISTANT MANAGER N. Bruce Ashwill has been appointed assistant manager of the New York Life Insurance Company's Torrance general office.

Press-Herald Sunday Crossword

(Answer on Page A-7)

ACROSS: 1-Talk idly, 2-Common place, 3-Place of confinement, 4-Egg-shaped, 5-Pasture grass, 6-Matured, 7-Get mound, 8-Without end, 9-Solicitor at law, 10-Par (abbr.), 11-Refuge, 12-Approach, 13-The sweetest, 14-Weight of, 15-Indy, 16-Indonesian tribesman, 17-City in Russia, 18-Escape, 19-A stimulus, 20-Frightened, 21-Free of, 22-Frost, 23-Transaction, 24-Underworld, 25-Rat's name, 26-Cooled lava, 27-Cultivated land, 28-Albuquerque, 29-Penny (col.), 30-Danish island, 31-Army officer, 32-Groups of six, 33-Lair, 34-Chemical compound, 35-Norse mythological king, 36-Breaks sud. only, 37-Prof: down, 38-Pronoun, 39-Winter, 40-Common place, 41-Growing, 42-Sea eagle, 43-City in Belgium, 44-Bounded z, 45-Cornucopia, 46-Headman, 47-Evaluates, 48-Above (post.), 49-Blotch, 50-Genus of beasts, 51-Representatives, 52-Clever, 53-Innoculates, 54-Army officer, 55-Food, 56-Programs, 57-Arrow, 58-Sicilian, 59-Teutonic deity, 60-Cyprinoid fish, 61-Mint, 62-Dirk, 63-Haste, 64-New Deal, 65-Agency (init.), 66-Locate, 67-Row, 68-Hawaiian, 69-Pronoun, 70-Large trucks, 71-Puzzle, 72-Musical organization, 73-Levantine, 74-Indefinite article, 75-Bar legally, 76-Relative (colloq.), 77-Liquid measure, 78-Past, 79-Emmet, 80-Girl's name, 81-City of Greece, 82-European, 83-Turkish regiment, 84-It is (contr.), 85-Wine cup, 86-Perus, 87-Sensad, 88-Part of fire, 89-A state, 90-Falsify, 91-Irritate, 92-Identical, 93-Kite, 94-Chemical compound, 95-Muse of poetry, 96-Retail establishment, 97-Mandacraftsman, 98-Mature, 99-Unit of elec. trial measure (pl.), 100-Confirmed, 101-Carouse, 102-Arabian sea, 103-Saltier, 104-Saltier (colloq.), 105-Printer's measure, 106-Vagrant, 107-Dancers, 108-Mild expletive, 109-Latin con., 110-Mare met, 111-Colonial, 112-Directs proceedings, 113-French article, 114-Simians, 115-Rescue, 116-Liquid measure, 117-Be mistaken (abbr.), 118-Musical group, 119-Lasses, 120-Danish measure, 121-Lamprey, 122-Guided, 123-Highwayman, 124-Shut neatly, 125-Is ill, 126-Provided with weapons, 127-Mold, 128-Proboscis, 129-Liquor, 130-Measure (pl.), 131-A state (abbr.), 132-Cemetary, 133-Hindu, 134-Muse of garment, 135-Part of play, 136-Part violin, 137-Cemented, 138-Part lever, 139-Babylonian, 140-Cemetary here, 141-Cooked slowly, 142-Ignore, 143-Freshets, 144-Shaded, 145-Singing voice, 146-Conjunctive, 147-Heavenly body, 148-Symbol for tin, 149-Above, 150-Diminished, 151-Fugitive from Soviet Russia, 152-Period of time, 153-Tattered cloth, 154-Snowy flowers, 155-Mare met, 156-High card, 157-Girl's nickname, 158-Wife of Geraint (abbr.), 159-Alcoholic beverage, 160-Step, 161-Data, 162-Exact, 163-Exact, 164-Exact, 165-Exact, 166-Exact, 167-Exact, 168-Exact, 169-Exact, 170-Exact, 171-Exact, 172-Exact, 173-Exact, 174-Exact, 175-Exact, 176-Exact, 177-Exact, 178-Exact, 179-Exact, 180-Exact, 181-Exact, 182-Exact, 183-Exact, 184-Exact, 185-Exact, 186-Exact, 187-Exact, 188-Exact, 189-Exact, 190-Exact, 191-Exact, 192-Exact, 193-Exact, 194-Exact, 195-Exact, 196-Exact, 197-Exact, 198-Exact, 199-Exact, 200-Exact